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Applicant: Cole, et al.
Title: METHODS FOR DETECTING
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Title: Methods for Detecting Pregnancy
Application serial no: 10/752,937
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Assignee hereby appoints the registered attorneys and agents of at Customer Number:

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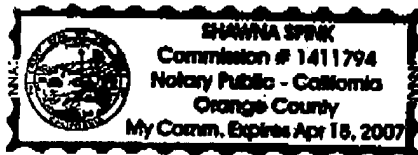
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On this 15th day of October, 2004, before me, a notary public in and for said county, appeared MURUGAN R. PANDIAN, who is personally known to me to be the same person whose name is subscribed to the foregoing instrument, and he/she acknowledged that he/she signed, sealed, and delivered the said instrument as his/her free and voluntary act for the uses and purposes therein set forth.



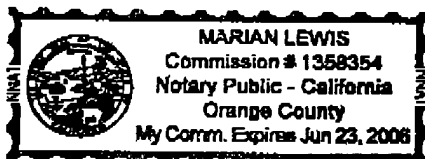
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Julie Lu
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Notary Public
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